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Adoption Day at Idaho Supreme Court

(Boise) – The Idaho Supreme Court will take on a different look November 18th when it celebrates National Adoption Day. Balloons, books, and flowers will decorate the main courtroom as 17 adoptions take place throughout the morning and afternoon.

This day has been set aside to recognize the importance of giving children permanent, safe and loving families through adoption. This effort, along with similar celebrations in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico will offer children the chance to live with stable and loving families and encourage other dedicated individuals to make a powerful difference in the lives of a child through adoption.

“The Idaho Supreme Court regularly deals with complex, complicated and oftentimes contentious issues so it is always rewarding and heartwarming to celebrate adoptions and the positive role our judicial system can and does play in adoption proceedings,” said Justice Jim Jones. “Giving children an opportunity to grow up in safe, stable, and loving families is not only gratifying for judges, but it’s also a way to honor adoptive parents for their dedication and willingness to make a difference in the lives of children.”

The morning will kick off with 13 Ada County adoptions. Each participating family will have an individual hearing to finalize the adoption in the Idaho Supreme Court courtroom. The lunch hour, 12:00pm to 1:00pm, will be an open house event with a proclamation reading by Justice Jim Jones and encouraging words from local people who support adoption efforts. The afternoon will conclude with adoptions from Canyon County and surrounding areas.

Since 2000, more than 35,000 children have had their adoptions finalized on National Adoption Day.

The Idaho Supreme Court also recognizes the gracious donations from Community Cakes who will be providing cakes for each family and the Ada County Commissioners who have purchased teddy bears to hand out to each child. It is this kind of community outreach that truly makes Adoption Day so special.

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